

## UNIMPORTANT

Are the Cablegrams From the Scenes of the South African War.

NO MORE BATTLES REPORTED

Though Boers Appear Active in Firing Lines They Hesitate to Attack.

ROBERTS AND KETCHNER MOVE

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Despatches from Ladysmith show the Boers have renewed sharp bombardment of the place. Boers from the beleaguered garrison, however, are making no reply to the bombardment. An official dispatch from Ladysmith, dated 23, says: "Private of the Tenth mountain battery and eight men of the 10th were killed and nine wounded, and five of them and two men of the 10th were wounded by the Boers yesterday. Another dispatch from Ladysmith, dated yesterday, says: 'Three men were wounded and three others had died.'

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## WED TOMORROW IN ST. LOUIS

Miss Gertrude Whitlow and Mr. Frank Ferriman to Marry.

In the city of St. Louis, the old home of the chosen bride, tomorrow afternoon at 4 p. m. Miss Gertrude Whitlow, who for several years has been a popular resident of the city, and Mr. Frank Ferriman, one of our well-known young men, are to be united in wedlock. The ceremony will occur at the bride's home, 1014 Franklin avenue, and according to the beautiful rites of the Episcopal church. The couple will spend the balance of the week in the "Future Great" and come to their future home in this city with the new year. A cordial greeting from their many friends awaits them.

The marriage though not unexpected, for Mr. Ferriman has been a close friend and accepted sister for some time, still it will be quite a surprise to all friends. The bride will leave for St. Louis, however, and will join the bride in extending the warm congratulations and many wishes for a long and ever happy life.

## POLICE COURT

Many Offenders Before Judge Sanders This Morning.

Several Fines Assessed for Drunkenness—Cases Continued.

Ernest Sanderson, colored, was arrested yesterday on a charge of drunkenness. The judge assessed a fine of \$20 and costs. The case was continued until tomorrow.

John Strang, colored, for using profane language on the streets, was assessed a fine of \$20 and costs. The case was continued until tomorrow.

Andie Rushing, a notorious colored felon, was fined \$20 and costs for using profane language on the streets. The case was continued until tomorrow.

Judge Sanders informed her that she had to pay \$20 every day if she did not come to work and help herself. George Jones, John Sweeney, James M. L. Woodhead and Charles Bates were fined \$1 and costs for drunkenness.

A case against Robert Hale, charged with driving an overloaded vehicle, was continued.

John Chapman and Albert Ray were fined \$2 and costs each for a breach of the peace.

Michael McElroy, a tramp, was found sleeping on the street. He was assessed a fine of \$20 and costs. The case was continued until tomorrow.

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## XTMAS MARRIAGES

Princeton Couples Go to Metropolitan to Wed.

Several Transpire in the City Since Saturday Last.

Mr. Jas. W. A. Blackburn and Miss Mildred Hubbard and Mr. W. H. Bond and Miss Effie Bond, of Princeton, were in the city last night on their way to Metropolitan, where they were this morning married by Justice Thomas at 12 o'clock.

The marriage of Mr. C. H. Gause to Miss Mary Rice took place Sunday night at the old Federal hall at 8 o'clock. Judge J. C. Tully officiating. A large crowd of friends and their wives were present, and an elegant banquet was served after the ceremony.

Mr. A. M. Dossert, aged 50, of Owensboro, and Miss Alice Bond, of the county, were married today. It is the third marriage of the groom and the first of the bride.

Mr. R. H. Ward and Miss L. J. Simpson, of the county, were married today.

Mr. R. J. Wilson, of Maad, Ill., and Miss Ada Alonzo, of Elmore, Ill., were married this morning at 10 o'clock at the Palmer House by Rev. W. E. Cave.

Mr. Wilson is steward of the Illinois asylum for insane convicts. They will reside at Menard, Ill.

The marriage of Mr. James A. Walters, of Memphis, to Miss Adella Wallace, of the city did not take place last night, as announced, on account of the illness of the bride, who is daughter of Mr. J. Wallace, of South Fourth street. They were to be married this morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Clark Perkins and Miss A. L. Jones, of Hillsboro, were married at 11:15 this morning at the New City and hotel by Rev. W. E. Cave. They are prominent young people.

Ed Bradshaw Tells Conflicting Stories—Money Not Found.

Frank Bradshaw, the colored youth charged with stealing a \$20 gold certificate from Mrs. Ed Vagha's pocketbook, is still in jail. He said when arrested that he found the note on the floor and gave it to his mother. She later denied it, however, but Bradshaw came to his story on this morning, when he admitted in the police court that he had perjured himself, and claimed to have given the gold certificate to a man in New Orleans, not knowing his name. His case will be tried tomorrow. The man he claimed he gave it to could not be found.

## BANKRUPTCY DISCHARGES.

Judge Evans Gives Several Their Discharges in Bankruptcy.

Judge Walter Evans, of the federal court, sent the following gentlemen their discharges in bankruptcy as Christmas presents:

Wm. E. Smith, Linton, Trigg county; Wm. J. Bond, Clinton, Boone county; Wm. Ed. Dow, Canton, Trigg county; John Ford, Benton, Trigg county; John A. Bond, Trigg county; A. B. Crawley, Cadiz, Trigg county; John A. Bond, Paducah, Knott county; E. E. Rogers, Columbus, Hickman county.

## MARRIAGE AT CALVERT CITY

First Son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bond of Calvert city, will be married Thursday night at the home of the bride. Both are well known young people.

## TERRIFYING EARTHQUAKE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 26.—There was a terrifying earthquake felt in parts of this state yesterday. In Los Angeles the shock was hard and the people were badly frightened. Some twelve buildings were damaged. In Santa Ana houses were rocked and clocks stopped and the people driven into the streets. Here also some damage was done. Other points, including San Diego, Riverside, Santa Ana, The Needles, Orange and Anaheim were well shaken. A slight aftershock was observed at San Diego. There is no indication of the visitation.

## TWENTY BODIES RECOVERED.

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 26.—Twenty bodies have been recovered from Hazelton mine, the scene of Saturday's disaster. The officials say it is possible there are more corpses in the mine.

## LAWTON REMAINS.

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 26.—The remains of Gen. Lawton are to be taken to the United States by transport Thomas. The funeral takes place Saturday.

## BY HIS OWN HAND.

Russian Preferred Suicide to Nihilists' Vengeance.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 26.—It was brought out at the inquest over the body of Ivan Dmitriewich, a Russian, who committed suicide by taking carbolic acid, that he killed himself because he feared he would be murdered, owing to his failure to make an attempt to kill the czar. Dmitriewich belonged to a nihilist club in New York that has its spies and agents in various parts of the world. At a recent session of this club, he was told, it is said to determine who should precede in the attempt to kill the czar, he refused to go to Russia to attempt the deed. He, and several other members of the club, were then expelled. He returned to his home in New York, and was found dead at the hands of the nihilists if he did not. In a dilemma he first here three weeks ago, he committed suicide. A Russian nihilist gave most of the facts on the stand, and said Dmitriewich often spoke of suicide.

## RAILROAD NOTES.

Everything is Very Dull in Railroad Circles Today.

New Carding System Adopted to Facilitate the Handling of Cars.

Everything has been very dull in the Illinois Central buildings today. Many of the men and women who are away for the holidays, and will not return for a day or two.

Little work is being done on the new depot, on account of the weather and the fact that most of the men are keeping Christmas.

The Christmas card system will be inaugurated on these divisions as soon as the cards can be printed. This is what Chief Auditor Penny was here for recently.

The new system will greatly facilitate the handling of freight cars by means of cards, in which will be blank letters in red, denoting to the railroad man at a glance where the car is to be handled.

Mr. J. E. Judd, until recently treasurer of the Illinois Central here, was surprised Christmas by the presentation to himself and wife of a handsome silver set of six pieces from the employees of the car department. Mr. Judd had been in charge of the department for eighteen years when he resigned.

Second Vice President J. T. Hanahan, accompanied by his wife, passed through the city Saturday night en route to France, Ky., to inspect the road. He was joined here by his son, Capt. W. A. Hanahan. It is reported that the I. C. is preparing to build to Nashville, which it would do by way of Chicago. This road has been talked of for a long time.

Railroad companies are to advance their rates on and after January 1, and it is expected that shippers will take advantage of this to increase the price of their fuel. Anthracite is now selling at \$9 per ton in the local market.

## HEAVY MAIL FOR ELLIS GLENN

Female Forger Supplied with Plenty of Funds.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 26.—Ellis Glenn, who, while masquerading as a man, was convicted of forgery in Illinois, is rapidly regaining her health and is able to sit up for hours at a time. She wears the tailor-made suit furnished by the authorities here, and spends most of her waking hours in writing. The manuscript she is preparing is said to be a sketch of her life, which she intends trying to sell to the highest bidder, her purpose being to make money to aid in her defense.

She has a heavy mail daily, the larger portion of her letters being from Illinois, where she seems to have many friends. Though she is penniless, when thought here, she is in possession of plenty of money, and seems in a position to gratify almost every desire. While the funds come from her, as yet as reported, she receives no visitors, and the court will give a permit for interviews until she entirely recovers, so outside can see her.

## RECKLESS SHOOTING.

A Small Boy Loses Part of His Underpinning.

A boy seven or eight years old known as "Red" was seriously hurt last night by a giant fire cracker, which was thrown at him and exploded so near that the flesh was torn from the calf of one leg and the other was badly bruised and lacerated.

Mrs. Robertson, Stewart and Winston dress the injuries and sympathize with the boy's mother, who is a poor woman. The boy is being nursed by his mother, who is a poor woman.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair tonight; probably snow Wednesday, yet warmer.

A big sugar war is predicted for the breaking of the new year.

The proposed silk trust have gone to pieces before establishment.

## LIVELY CHRISTMAS

Everybody Enjoyed the Holiday This Year.

Merchants Say It Was One of the Most Prosperous Ever Known Here.

Christmas passed off quietly enough, but without there was good cheer and merriment in abundance. There was a holiday everywhere, and the day was appropriately observed by coming and old, rich and poor, and in fact by everybody except those few busy people who didn't have time. In two days, however, most everyone was back to work.

There were no great crowds, however, Christmas trees and other year conventions, and while the small boys were delighted with displaying their wares for sale on the streets, no property was stolen or shot five neckers and such things in the front yard, while many of the larger ones missed the pleasure of the police and held their celebrations in the streets. This from their superior knowledge of Judge Sanders and his leniency towards Christmas offenders. If there is any one who is a fellow who has had a good time in an innocent, law-abiding manner.

Many people must have been happy this Christmas, if the unprecedented sales of holiday goods is to be taken as a criterion.

Merchants with one accord agree that the sales were the greatest ever known in Paducah. Many had their stocks cleaned completely out by the horde of shoppers. One merchant alone took in \$4,000 in cash Saturday, and others doubtless did as well. Saturday night came the greatest rush, when newly acquired wages were spent lavishly by hundreds of people. Even Sunday trade was brisk.

Both the railroad companies handled thousands of passengers from various points, and scores of people from all directions came to Paducah to make their purchases last Saturday.

The business of the express companies, especially the American, broke all records, and many carloads of express were taken out and brought to Paducah during the past several days, and the rush is not yet over.

## THE MAINE DEAD.

The Funeral and Burial to Occur Thursday.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 26.—The bodies of the Maine were brought ashore from the battleship Texas this morning by the officers and sailors of that vessel, including Captain Hughes. They were got at the post by a tugboat of the Spanish American war. The remains were immediately placed on a special train for Washington, where they will be interred with full naval honors in Arlington cemetery Thursday in the presence of the president and cabinet.

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## YOUNG'S APPOINTMENT.

MANILA, Dec. 26.—Gen. Young has been appointed military governor of the province of Northwestern Luzon, with headquarters at Vigan. His command includes the Thirty-third Infantry, under Col. Luther R. Hure, and the Third Cavalry. He will establish permanent stations at San Fernando and Lingayen, with outposts wherever needed. The Sixteenth Infantry will proceed to Aparri, guarding such towns as may be deemed necessary in the provinces of Cuyayan, Ibaloi and Nueva Vizcaya, of which Col. Hood has been appointed military governor. Gen. Young and Col. Hood are establishing civil municipal governments, and the ports in Northern Luzon will be opened for trade about January 1.

## WASHINGTON DESERTED.

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For brother, father, sweetheart, or any male relative or friend.

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There will be men in the next legis-

lature who will never be there again

if Goebel wins his contest.

Connection has a man who "officially

strikes" in the South. No. 2. The fellow

is actually building an ark.

Some of the Democratic papers are

heavily ashamed of the contest threat-

ened by Goebel and others. They are

as silent as the proverbial little boy.

The appropriation bill for the navy

and army will come before congress

after the holidays conclude. It is es-

timated that the bill will ask for fifty-

one millions.

South Trinitie claims he will be

elected to the speakership of the house.

Should this prove true the house

will not only disgrace itself but cause the

state to blush over the selection.

The legislative contests will cost

the state thousands of dollars and

the loss of much valuable time. And

ninety per cent will be the result of

the iniquity of the Goebel election

bill, which has left its mark upon the

state like the trail of the snake it has

proven.

The Goebellites are said to be unable

to secure talent to represent them in

their contest before the legislature.

What is the matter with the horde of

so-called lawyers who were on the

stamp during the canvass? Are they

regarded too ignorant for the job?

An offer for a little notoriety would

no doubt catch a whole drove of them.

Ready the worst thing to contemplate

in connection with the contest which

is to be made by the Democrats be-

fore the legislature is the fact that

it will attract the Goebels, the Black-

burns, the Redwines, the Tarvins, the

Smiley of the state ticket to the

capital and their sayings and capers

will be taken as the wishes and in-

structions of the state by the outside

readers of the press and the state will

be further disgraced in spite of itself.

The cost of a contest before the

legislature, says the statistics, must

be paid by the losers. As it is es-

timated that the Goebel-Blackburn

contest will cost at least \$10,000 the

outlook is not very cheering to the

gang, who ordered the contest and are

expected to foot the bill, and who will

of course lose the fight. But the

state will also lose much in costs and

waste of time of the legislature, for

which the Democrats will be held re-

sponsible at the next election.

The state press, or rather the cheap-

er part of the gang, given the contest

question some very hard rap. The

prediction is made that the legisla-

ture will not put upon the people a

gang they rejected at the polls and

the bill is said to be made by some

leading Democratic papers that it

will be an outrageous waste of the

bill box if it was done. It can be

said as a fact that a good half of

the respectable part of the Democratic

papers of this state are against the

contest.

Major General Wood has already

ordered up his outfit as governor

general of this. His first official act

will be to receive the resignations of

the members of the cabinet appointed

by Governor General Broke. The cabi-

net was unpopular and the people are

expecting more civil government and

less military government under Gen-

eral Wood. It is believed no military

governor will be appointed for San-

tiago province, but that General Wood

will give the citizens an actual experi-

ence in civil government.

Hon. B. A. Snow, who formerly

represented the Paris, Tenn., district

in congress, wants to do so again. En-

lish is the gentleman who made the Lou-

isville Dispatch a possibility and

gave it its first setback in getting

into a quarrel with its backers. He

had almost passed into the ranks of

the dead when he was taken up in the

crisis after his old place. Unless

the Paris Dispatch was a coward to

defeat defeat a cowardly gentleman,

for when he quit before he was

because he was turned down by his

constituents for another fellow.

The big Chicago canal, generally

called the Garden City's drainage

sewer, has been a "bone of con-

tention" ever since it was begun and

now that it is about ready to open

that is to be filled with water from

Michigan lake and utilized for the

purpose for which it was constructed,

all the little towns along its course,

along the Illinois into which it is to

empty and along the Mississippi down

from the mouth of the Illinois river

to that of the Ohio, are protesting,

saying the great water way is to be

poisoned and death will infest the

stream though traffic floats above.

The people slept on these ideas when

the scheme was taken up as an enter-

prise and permission for its construction

secured and they should now accept

the inevitable. The canal having

been built will have to be utilized.

The fact that the senate as well as

the house wants to create the new

financial law will not, but little fig-

ure in the new law which will cer-

tainly be enacted. The two bills sooner

or later will be merged into one through

the quackery of the usual compromise

committee, and this will be final.

The two bills are very close to the

center of the currency com-

mission.

It is now said that the time in which

Goebel and Blackburn could give notice

of the contest of the election of Taylor

and Marshall did not expire on the

23d but is good until the 7th of Jan-

uary thirty days after the issuing

of the certificate of election. Wash-

ington is the case or not another

title, for it is clear the Goebellites

mean only to win by some foul act

if at all.

Fryer and Ellis left the state cap-

itoling board, but the former re-

turned long enough to assist Poysie

in what is clearly questionable work,

appointing a party since Ellis is

Ellis. But the right of appointment

is unquestionably in Governor Taylor,

as the constitution defines, and the

vacancies will be filled by him. A new

phase in the contest in over the con-

stitution is settled. It may be before the

majority is settled the constitutionality

of the law of the Goebel law will have

to be decided.

TUNNEL GIBRALTAR STRAIT.

The latest gigantic engineering

scheme to occupy the attention of

Europe is an undertaking to tunnel

the straits of Gibraltar. A famous

civil engineer of Paris, M. Jean Bore,

favours the plan, and has published a

book in favor of its construction, ap-

pealing to the patriotic as well as the

business sentiment of his countrymen.

In the judgment of this expert, a tun-

nel, such as he has in mind, making

Spain and Morocco, connecting a new

roadway from Tangiers to La

Magdalena, would prove invaluable for

the successful development of France's

possessions in northern Africa.

Spain's consent to the scheme, M.

Bore asserts, has already been given,

and Morocco is likely to agree to it.

The cost of the under straits tunnel

is estimated at \$142,000,000—but what

are millions of money in this age of ex-

pansion?

CAPT. HALLIDAY'S ESTATE.

The Late Cairo Capitalist Worth

Over a Million.

A dispatch from Cairo, Ill., states

that an inventory of the estate of the

late Captain W. P. Halliday has been

filed. The estate is valued at \$1,420,000,

of which \$1,420,000 is in real estate

and \$2,000,000 in personal property.

His property includes extensive real estate

in Jackson county, and at

Princeton, Ky. In Perry county, Ark.,

large plantations in this country. Ark.

large holdings of farm lands in Pikes

and Alexander counties, Ill., and in

Mississippi county, Mo., and in

Illinois, Ky., besides a large amount

of stocks, bonds, etc., and his extensive

interests in this city. The entire es-

tate will be kept intact for five years,

the heirs having executed a trust

agreement with W. P. Halliday, Jr.,

and E. H. Rogers.

WAITED FOUR MONTHS.

But His Intend'd Bride Was Still

Obdurate.

An interesting story comes from

Princeton, Ky. On August 10 last

James Tesque, a young farmer of

Chapman county, secured license to

wed Miss Lizzie Oliver, of Lyon coun-

ty, on the 13th of the same month.

Saturday the license was returned

to the clerk's office and the record

shows the endorsement, "No property

found." The young lady refused

to fill her part of the contract because

the groom-to-be had a fit of blues

the night before the day set for the

ceremony. He had kept the license

over four months in hopes that the

lady would experience a change of

mind, but she didn't.

NEWS NOTES.

At least forty men were killed by

the explosion in the Branford mine

near Newmarket, Pa., Saturday.

The mine is a complete wreck, and there

is no hope that any of the miners

still entombed will be found alive.

The British steamer Albatross

stranded off Cape Hatteras in a heavy

sea yesterday and twenty-one men who

took to the small boats were lost.

The captain and eight others, who

remained with the ship, were rescued

by the life-saving crew by means of

the breeches buoy. All could have

been saved had they remained on the

ship.

Former Senator Dubois, of Idaho,

says the cause of free silver will have

been won if the Transvaal war con-

tinues two







# An Immense Bankrupt Purchase Now is the time

## NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS GALORE,

### The Bazaar

- The entire Bankrupt Stock of the New York Suit and Cloak Co., just in time for our Grand Holiday Sale.
- And at half price at
- 50 Children's Fine Jackets go for \$1.19.
  - 40 Children's Fine Jackets go for \$1.60.
  - 50 Children's Fine Jackets go for \$1.98.
  - 60 and 70 Children's Fine Jackets go for \$2.98.
  - 70 Fine Kersey Jackets go for \$3.50.
  - 80 Fine Kersey Tan, Royal blue and black Jackets go for \$4.98.
  - 100 and 120 Fine Melton Jackets, Skinner's satin lined and trimmed, go on this sale for \$5.98 and \$6.98.
  - 200 and 220 Fine Silk Plush Jackets, beautifully beaded, go on our Grand Holiday Sale at \$9.98.
  - 80 Fine Scotch Plaid Skirts \$1.29.
  - 40 Fine Scotch Plaid Skirts 1.49.
  - 60 Fine Camels' Hair Skirts 3.98.
  - Fine Silk Whole Suits, worth \$12.00, Bankrupt Sale Price 5.98.
  - 100 and 120 Fine Silk, Satin and Silk Crepon Skirts, Grand Bankrupt Sale Price \$4.98.
  - 200, 250 and 300 Fine Imported Pattern Dress Skirts, Grand Bankrupt Sale Price, \$6.98 and 9.98.
  - 500 and 600 Fine Fur Collarettes \$2.98.
  - 700 and 800 Fine Fur Collarettes \$3.98.
  - 1000 and 1200 Fine Fur Collarettes \$4.98.
  - Rainy Day Skirts at half price for our grand bankrupt sale.
  - 150 New Golf Capes, regular price, \$7 and \$8, all on our Grand Bankrupt Sale for \$3.98.
  - \$12,000 worth of Fine Silk Waists, Fine Duchesse Satin Waists, Fancy Dress Waists, etc.

THE BAZAAR, 215 Broadway.

## CAUGHT AT LAST.

Ed Powell Had Been Making Raids at His Employer's Store.

Ed Powell, colored, was arrested at an early hour this morning on a charge of house breaking, Mayor Jas. M. Lang made the affidavit on which the warrant was issued.

For weeks money and articles and other things have been missed from Lang's drug store, but no trace of the thief could be discovered.

This morning Powell, who is a hoy employed about the store, was caught coming from the grating near the drug store, leading from the cellar. He was promptly arrested, but denies that he had been in the store.

He has been arrested several times before for fighting and such things, but this is the first felony charge registered against him.

## SUSPECT ARRESTED.

Jim Harper is Believed to Have Stolen Mr. Cheney's Money

Jim Harper is the name of a colored youth arrested at Kuttawa yesterday by Marshal McCollum and brought to the city.

Harper deposited \$80 with the clerk of the butchery, and could give no satisfactory account of how he came with it.

He is believed to be the same man who stole Stewart Cheney's money amounting to about \$150, from the Dick Fowler. Harper will be held to await identification.

## CALLED MEETING.

The Council to Meet Again Wednesday Night.

Mayor Lang will call a meeting of the council for tomorrow night to give second passage to the city engineer's ordinance and to elect a city engineer.

Mr. James H. Wilcox, the present city engineer, will be elected, being the caucus nominee.

## DIED THROUGH NEGLECT.

Coroner Phelps was this morning called to a house near First and Washington streets to inquire into the death of Maggie Stanfield, a six-month-old child, colored. He learned that it died from congestion, resulting from neglect.

## FOLLOWED HIS WIFE.

Mr. Chas. Mosely, aged 75, died this morning on East Court street from old age. He came here about a year ago from Grand Rivers, and his wife died only two or three weeks ago.

Remains will be taken to the funeral home for interment tomorrow.

## ALL 3 INCHES.

The snow fall reported by Observer Schumann was three inches. The lowest of the season with the exception of Dec. 5, when the thermometer registered 17 degrees also.

Lost on east side Third, between First and Washington streets, a round hair ornament set with pearls. Finder return same to Sun and receive reward. 2602

## FINE MILLINERY At Cost!

We purchased too early in the season, so we find we are overstocked, and have decided to make a cut for the next ten days, and such a one as has never been equaled in this city before.

We have placed on sale all our winter hats at actual cost, and some of them below cost.

Now is your time to buy a Xmas hat cheap.

- Our \$10 Hats go in this sale at \$6.98
- Our 8 Hats go in this sale at 5.98
- Our 7 Hats go in this sale at 4.98
- Our 5 Hats go in this sale at 3.78
- Our 4 Hats go in this sale at 2.98
- Our 3.50 Hats go at 2.23
- Our 2.50 Hats go at 1.98
- Our 2.00 Hats go at 1.25

Our ready-to-wear Autumn hats, in castor, pearl, black and brown, are now selling at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50. These hats are reduced from \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00, and to see them is to be convinced they are far below actual value.

We have a nice assortment of chenille ornaments, tassels, tinsel, etc. suitable for Xmas gifts, and at the price we are selling them one could make a beautiful Xmas present at very little cost.

Come to the Bazaar and see these Chenille Ornaments, which we are selling cheap to clear them out. Some of them are beauties, at

THE BAZAAR, 215 Broadway.

## THE BABY'S RATTLE.

Young Man Goes to Buy One and Finds Out There Are Many Kinds.

"Give me a baby's rattle, please," said the young man, bashfully, and he deposited a dollar bill on the counter.

"Any particular kind or style?" inquired the salesman, indicating the shelves back of him, on which appeared hundreds and hundreds of rattles, beautifully, queerly, fearfully wrought.

"Great Jupiter!" there more than one kind or style?" returned the young man, surveying the jumbled display with every evidence of dismayed astonishment.

"Just about one thousand," answered the salesman, calmly. "There is hardly a limit to the styles and the variety of materials now used for baby's rattles. The old tin rattle, probably associated with your infancy, is still made in two familiar styles—one shaped like a miniature bass drum, with the handle soldered to the rim, and the other shaped like the section of a cylinder, headed at both ends, with a whistle at the end of the handle.

"Celluloid rattles are made in a great variety of shapes, such as tambourines and drums, with tiny bells attached. Some of them are very cheap; others are very expensive. Then there is a confusing variety of bone rattles and combination of bone and metal. As for the rubber rattles and the variety of styles we handle, there is no end to them. Many rattles come in the shape of cloth figures, with handles to them, the extended arms of the figures holding in each hand a small bell or one of a pair of cymbals.

"In musical rattles some beautiful figures are made. Usually they consist of a doll's head and body, with a handle attached. The body of the doll contains a musical box, and when the doll is twisted around the handle some lively or soothing air is designed to please the infant ear is ground off. For the exercise of the baby's own musical talent there is usually a whistle in the handle. Several kinds of musical rattles, with the dolls' heads in bright-colored celluloid and all are exceedingly delightful and interesting toys.

"An old-fashioned rattle whose popularity has survived the mutations of time and the vicissitudes of fashion is the light, pear-shaped article of basket work. Inside of many of this type are tiny sleigh bells. In some of the rattles made of a combination of materials the metal used is aluminum, which is employed because of its extreme lightness.

"This year fashion seems to decree that the silver rattle shall reign—for fashion dominates this nursery accessory as well as the baby's apparel—and a number of styles are to be had. Some have ivory, pearl or celluloid rings, with silver bells attached. Others are made entirely of silver. Then the market is flooded with silver dumbbells and silver wheels, pagoda-shaped rattles with silver bells dangling from them, and silver trumpets with silver bells attached. The prices of silver rattles vary almost as much as the styles, and some of them do not cost as much as you might think. Gold rattles are also made in some variety, but the predominating style calls for a pearl handle, a gold whistle at the end of the handle and a cluster of tiny gold bells attached to the head.

"What do babies' rattles cost?" ventured the young man, visibly impressed and awed by the salesman's discourse.

"Anywhere from two cents to \$35," was the reply. "The old-fashioned tin rattle fetches the minimum price, and the most costly silver or gold rattle the maximum. If you want to see something finer—"

## CANNON EXPLODED.

Concussion George Jones' little boy came near having his eyes put out yesterday. A toy cannon exploded, painfully burning him. Dr. Troutman dressed his injuries.

## Steam Cleaning Friedman's Works

109 North Fourth street.

Phone No. 20.

## LOCAL LINES.

—Mr. T. J. Mix has been appointed postmaster at Coldwater, Calaway county, to succeed J. O. Holland, resigned.

—Minnie Lily Landert, aged six years, died at Ozon, Marshall county, from inflammation of the bowels. She was grand-daughter of Mr. Dennis Baulis, of that section.

—Many cases of influenza exist. This is good weather for such sickness.

—The merchants generally report the liveliest holiday trade ever with a fair knowledge.

—In a few days the merchants will be going into the year's affairs and preparing for the new year. Taking stock will be their work until the new year's day.

—The St. Petersburg company had a good crowd at Morton's opera house yesterday, and left this morning for Princeton, where they play today. They left their car here to have new drawbars put in.

—This evening the Christmas tree entertainment for the poor children takes place at Windsor Chapel, 131 South Third street. The church superintendent solicits help from all.

—Miss Mary Sauerberg, of South Fourth street, was running and paying yesterday when she fell, spraining her right wrist very badly.

—Gardner Holter, one of Mechanicville's negroes, became a little uneasy on account of being Christmas, and was hit over the head with a stick and a gas can over his eye about an inch long.

—Much fireworks were burned last night. At times early in the evening all parts of the city seem to become an eruption.

—Paducah had a white Christmas. It snowed Sunday night and also last night. While the falling was not heavy it made Christmas an ideal day. Today a few sleighs were noticed on the streets, but sleighing was not good.

—Paducah Royal Arch Chapter No. 36 will meet tonight for work in Royal Arch degree at 7:30 o'clock.

—Mr. Mack Walton, bookkeeper for Covington Bros., had the thumb on his left hand painfully smashed yesterday by a back driver's hammering the door on it.

—A child of Maggie Stanfield, colored, was buried today at the expense of the county.

—Judge Tully, of the county court, has received a great many requests for assistance during the past several days.

—The Second Presbyterian church will enjoy a Christmas entertainment tonight at the church, beginning at 7 p. m.

—The heaters at the county court house are being repaired, and it's the heat is now furnished by the stoves.

—Henry Goodman and Jesse Miller, colored, were licensed to marry this afternoon.

## CRESTON CLARKE

Tonight at Morton's Opera House in "Hamlet"

The eminent actor, Creston Clarke, will be seen in grand scenic production of "Hamlet" at Morton's opera house tonight.

During the present season Mr. Clarke is carrying with him on tour, an entire company of special scenery, costumes, stage settings and properties, which enable him to produce each play in his repertoire in an almost perfect manner, delighting the eye by the use of scenery and settings entirely new and fresh to the patrons of the theatre, because none of the regular theatre furnishings are necessary, with the possible exception of some small properties.

Mr. Clarke's supporting company remains practically the same splendid organization seen here in former seasons, but has been augmented to the number of twenty-five. Miss Edna Prince is still the leading support, and no word is needed here of her beauty, her ability and wonderful talent as an actress. All indications point to a most successful engagement and the actors will doubtless be packed tonight.

## IN THE NECK.

Chas Reed, Colored, Cut by a "Hobo."

Charles Reed, colored, called on City Physician Sanders this afternoon to have a long gash in his neck sowed up.

He said that two tramps, one white and the other colored, ate the dinner of several workmen at Murray's truck yard and tried to buy it of him. He told the workmen the tramps got in, and two of them pursued him to Baker's grocery and the black one cut him. The wound is not serious.

## ABOUT PEOPLE.

Miss May V. Patterson has gone to Fulton on a visit to Miss Glenn Palmer.

Mrs. Belle M. Baker and son, Mr. Thomas L. Baker, spent Christmas in Hopkinsville with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wadely, Sr., Mr. Wadely, Jr., and Mrs. Jennie Dovey are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Meeker, on Clark street.

Mr. J. Wes Brown, formerly of this city but now of Memphis, is here to spend the holidays with his wife, who is a guest of Mrs. Poulson, 809 South Third street.

Mr. Alfred Middlemait and sister, Miss Daisy, have gone to Union City to spend the holidays.

Measles, Hernando Stomer, Louis Brock, Phil Rousch and Carl Haas left Evansville to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

Miss Lucille Davenport, of Indianapolis, Mo., is a guest of Miss Sallie George.

Mr. Robert Scott is here from Nashville to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. Harry Dalton and wife from Fulton are here to spend the holidays.

Mr. Will Clements and son left for Madison, Ind., to spend the holidays.

Mr. Jeff Read left last Sunday for Owensboro to spend the holidays.

Mr. Will Mather, of Cairo, is spending the holidays here.

Mr. J. J. Purcell, the new local superintendent of the Sun Life Insurance company, accompanied by his wife, arrived Sunday from Louisville.

Mr. E. F. Hyng came down from Jackson for Christmas.

Miss Lucy Cud, of Mayfield, will arrive this afternoon on a visit to Mrs. Jesse Cud.

Mr. John O. Baldwin, of Cairo, spent Christmas with relatives in the city.

Mr. Abe Weil, at the beautiful Web home place, on North Sixth street, yesterday afternoon kept open house to his friends and received and entertained many guests. It was a pleasant occasion to all who called.

Mr. Archie Sheerer, of St. Louis, came over Sunday to spend a couple of days at home, taking advantage of the holidays and the stagnation in railroad business.

Jake Corbett, of Wickliffe, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Mr. Matthew J. Ganey, of Kansas City, came in Sunday to spend the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Graham, of Gratiotville, are spending the holidays in the city with friends.

Prof. H. P. Lyon, after a several weeks' visit to a brother in Washington, came home Saturday evening.

George Gooden was over from St. Louis to spend Sunday and yesterday with his parents.

Mr. J. R. Lemon, who went up the Tennessee on a week's jaunt, came home Christmas morning.

Misses R. B. Phillips and Dave Eganmy went to Jackson, Tenn., on a visit yesterday.

Miss Jennie Byrd left yesterday for Memphis on a visit.

Miss Daisy Hythe will arrive from Fulton today.

Attorney J. Wheeler Campbell is in Evansville on a visit to relatives.

The condition of Master them Smith is unchanged.

Miss Lulu Johnson, of Owensboro, is visiting Miss Aggie Main, on Jackson street.

Mr. F. G. Mertz and children, of St. Louis, are visiting in the city.

Mr. J. L. Kilgore returned today from Anderson, Ind.

Mr. E. D. Motts, the mail clerk, returned today from Springfield, Ohio.

Mr. James P. Smith returned today from Springfield, Ill. His wife will return in a few days.

Marshall McCollum, of Kuttawa, returned home today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. English went to Madisonville this morning on a visit.

Mr. W. A. Everett, of Covington, Tenn., and wife, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Sam Smiley.

Miss Bertie Miller, of Grand Rivers, is visiting relatives on South Sixth.

Miss Mandie Wells, who is attending school at Hopkinsville, is home on a visit.

Mr. W. H. Wells is at home on South Sixth.

Deputy Sheriff R. C. Utterback went to Frankfort this morning with Sheriff Rogers.

Miss Beulah Lamb, of Greenville, is visiting Mrs. Wm. Eades.

Miss Manie Haynam is spending the holidays in Mayfield.

Mr. Gilbert McCoy returned this morning from Springfield, Ill.

Mr. F. C. Beeman, of Littlefield, Ind., is at the Palmer.

Mr. Ben Berring, of Louisville, spent Sunday and yesterday with relatives here.

Miss Ida Voight left this morning for Mayfield, on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Emma Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Grozier have returned from Evansville, where they spent Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Hove Hestberger has gone to St. Louis on a visit.

Mr. Robert Caldwell, of Covington-Brook, is spending the holidays in Fulton.

Mr. Herman Edwards, of the Adams Express company, is on the sick list.

Mr. F. M. Fisher, wife and son, Master Harold and Master Roland Donovan leave tonight for New York, to be absent two weeks.

Mr. Frank Ferriman, who has been connected for several years with the back store of Van Culin Bros., will

next year be in charge of the going-away party of Mr. John Van Culin, who expects to be much on the road. These gentlemen have a beautiful office on the second floor of the Van Culin book store, with the gym facility above.

W. A. Wesley, advance agent of "State Tracked," is at the New Richmond.

Mr. R. E. Gaines, of Frankfort, is at the New Richmond.

Mrs. W. H. Pickett is quite ill.

Miss Martha Folkes returned this morning from Mayfield, where she spent Christmas.

Mr. John T. Donovan, general agent of the United Central went to Louisville this morning.

Miss Mary McDonald, of Mayfield, is a guest of Miss Dot Brower.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Coulson are parents of a son, born yesterday.

## ELKS ENTERTAINED.

Many Partakes of Mr. J. E. Robertson's Hospitality.

The members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks were sumptuously entertained yesterday morning between 11 and 12 by Mr. J. E. Robertson, at his home corner of Sixth and Monroe streets.

Mr. Robertson did the honors admirably, and a large crowd enjoyed his hospitality, and the many good things set before them. It was one of the most enjoyable receptions ever tendered Paducah lodges, and they greatly appreciated it.

The new lodge Elks at Frankfort, whose organization and installation was one of the pleasant events of last week in Kentucky's capital, is composed of the following members: Thos. H. Stagg, H. R. Bacon, John A. Irwin, John T. Green, Chas. N. Ward, Wm. B. Rothman, Jas. McNeill, T. R. Reynolds, Frank Hewitt, G. L. Roberts, W. H. Stone, John H. Stone, J. L. Newman, John Scholt, Jim Stone, George Haines, W. O. Bradley, W. H. Ray, D. Davis, Dr. Eusey, E. H. Johnson, H. P. Pur, Wm. Clifton, J. E. Tyler, J. P. Hurrey, Henry F. Lindsey, Misson P. Brown, T. H. Newman, E. H. Rothman, R. G. Graham, A. J. Lynch. Mr. J. P. Hurrey is exalted ruler.

Paducah lodge has adopted a rule that only two candidates be initiated in one night. Heretofore from two to half a dozen have been given the degrees the same night, and it is a great deal more for the degree team.

Paducah lodge held open house yesterday at Elks hall, in the Leech building, and many of the members called in during the day.

## CURSED THE AGENT.

As a Result Aleck Husley Was Fined \$20 and Cost Today.

Aleck Husley is the name of a henchman from Mayfield who had lost every thing he had except a pair of pants and underwear in the recent fire at the city hall.

He came here Sunday night to see his wife, whom he sent to her relatives to raise a cent.

He got drunk and at the noon depot used very profane and vulgar language toward Illinois Central ticket agent George Ward, who was very busy with a large crowd of passengers. The man was in the ladies' waiting room at the time, and it was crowded with ladies.

Husley told his trouble to Judge Sanders this morning, but his very disgraceful conduct was so unprovoked and unbecoming that he was fined \$20 and costs and it will probably be many days before he sees his wife again.

## TORTOISE SHELL ORNAMENTS.

Are at Present More Popular Than Ever and Are Worn in Many Forms.

At the present time tortoise shell ornaments are very much in vogue, and perhaps the newest and smartest of all these beautiful things is a small bouquet holder that pins on the front of the gown. It is designed to hold just enough water to keep fresh a few sprigs of lilies, verbena, belladonna or a bit of other sweet-smelling plant. In shape the holder is similar to a small tube about three inches long. At the lower end it is tapered and closed. The top is finished with a narrow band of gold, and at the base there is a pin also of gold with a strong clasp. By its means the holder is always held in an upright position.

The same material is being much used for the handles of parasols, and very fashionable ones are to be found in the fashionable shops. The handsomest one that has yet been seen was brought by a New York woman from Switzerland, where she had it carved to order for her. It represents a turkey's claw holding a ball. The ball revolves as though on its axis, but it could be readily seen that the whole thing was carved out of one piece of the most exquisitely marked shell.

The parasol that it upheld was lined with white and covered with a rare bit of black lace. Hare's and Duck's heads are also made in tortoise shell for parasol handles, or rather for the handles of the small umbrellas that are called by the French on tout case, as they answer equally well for rain or shine.

The word large hardly seems to express the dimensions of the back combs at present, and they are made either of a solid, severe piece of carved shell, or they are most fantastically carved. Cupids drawing chariots and swans flying about are the most popular designs. Of course, it would only be correct to wear them in the evening, and even so, it is far from being every style of face that is modeled from those made of tortoise shell. Those of late have been so popular, are also in vogue for such purposes as the shell is used very thin and is quite transparent.

To hold up the willful little scolding locks at the back of the head, ornaments in shell can be bought in almost any fancy design. They have become so popular, it is now not unusual to see a young tortoise of high polish and beautiful colors calmly reposing upon the back of some fair head. A long pile of shell passes through the turtle's body, and the under side and fastens it securely. —St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## THE RIVER NEWS.

Paduca, 18.2 rise.  
Canton, 22.4 rise.  
Chattanooga, 5.5.5 rise.  
The mouth, 22.4 rise.  
Evansville, 15.2 rise.  
Florence, 6.7 rise.  
Hannibal, 10.1 rise.  
Louisville, 9.3 rise.  
Mt. Carmel, 6.8 fall.  
Nashville, 13.3 rise.  
Paducah, 15.3 rise.  
Pittsburgh, 3.2 fall.  
St. Louis, 3.3 fall.

Observation taken at 7 a. m. River 15.2 feet on the gauge, a rise of .9 in the last 24 hours. Wind, with a high bar. Weather, clear and cold. Depth of snow on the ground 1 inch. Temperature 18. FELL, observer.

The city of Sheffield arrived from Tennessee river this morning with a big trip of lumber. She is discharging part of it today at Brooklyn and the remainder she will take to St. Louis. But it is uncertain about her leaving here as Captain Kager is waiting for a tug from St. Louis. The Mississippi is full of running ice at St. Louis and there is only 2.3 on the gauge here and falling.

The Buck Fowler left for Cairo at 3:40 this morning with fair business.

The John S. Hopkins departed for Evansville at 10 o'clock this morning with a light trip. There will not be much business done for a few days with the packets as Christmas week is generally the driest of the year. That is between Christmas and New Year.

The Clyde arrived from St. Louis this morning to take place of the W. J. Thomas which will lay up for repairs. The crew at the Clyde will be transferred to the Clyde which leaves tomorrow at 5 p. m. for Louisville.

Cold, clear and dry is the situation here and the earth covered lightly with snow. Temperature 15 above and river rising.

The submergence from Tennessee river this morning with a good trip.

The H. W. Bryant is one from Clarksville tomorrow morning and will leave at noon for Nashville. That was an elegant Christmas spread in the hotel yesterday before she left Clarksville.

The City of Toledo had a fair start today when she departed for Cincinnati and Cincinnati.

There was no work going on at the ways or dry docks this morning. But the boys got in a little time today.

The John K. Speed from Cincinnati will pass down tomorrow for New Orleans.

## MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Justice J. H. Little is holding court this morning in the city hall.

## THE MID-DAY MEAL.

Heavy Eating and Indigestible Food Are Dangerous to the General Health.

A physician who is an authority on dietetics argues that when work must be resumed immediately after a meal, that meal should be as light and as digestible as possible; better still, too, if the half-hour preceding the meal can be filled with some diverting occupation or perfect idleness. Children should not rush from the school room to the lunch table, eat with one eye on the clock, and hurry off again to begin a study at once. This is done all over the land, and is one of the reasons that the health of children suffers during school life. The mother of a family must do what she can to counteract it by making her children eat with one eye on the clock, and hurry off again to begin a study at once. This is done all over the land, and is one of the reasons that the health of children suffers during school life. The mother of a family must do what she can to counteract it by making her children eat with one eye on the clock, and hurry off again to begin a study at once. 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